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TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

GRANT AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT FOR THE

CHILDHOOD OBESITY PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Department of Public Health (DPH) has received a Grant Agreement (Attachment I) from The California Endowment (TCE) for the Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention's Childhood Obesity Prevention Program, in the amount of \$100,000. The grant funds will be used to support a Technical Assistance Coordinator (Coordinator), acquired through a temporary personnel service agency. The Coordinator will develop and implement local County policies necessary to promote healthy eating and active living and address high childhood obesity rates in Los Angeles County. The TCE grant supplements an award DPH had previously received from the Kaiser Foundation which was designed to enhance efforts by DPH to prevent childhood obesity through policy and environmental changes.

The TCE grant is effective March 15, 2010 through March 14, 2012. Since TCE grants do not allow for the rollover of funds from one fiscal year to the next, TCE has requested that the agreement be signed as soon as possible so that the funds can be encumbered by March 31, 2010, the end of their fiscal year.

Due to TCE's short timeline, this is to inform you that I will be signing the Grant Agreement to expedite the acceptance of the funds. A request to your Board to formally accept the grant funds is forthcoming. DPH will incur no expenditures until the agreement is accepted by your Board.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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Attachment



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